

## REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejection set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

### Drawings

The drawings are objected to because reference numeral “2” (next to 3a) in Figure 1 should be labeled “3”.

The drawings are also objected to as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5) because certain figures include reference characters “1c” and “3a”, which are not mentioned in the specification.

In addition, the drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(4) because reference characters “A” and “D” each designate two features disclosed in the application.

In response, the specification has been amended *inter alia* at page 8, lines 17 and 18 to include the reference character --1c--; at page 9, line 21, and to include reference numeral --3a--; and at page 8, line 8 to delete reference character “A”.

A Submission of Corrected Sheets of the Drawings is being filed concurrently herewith in which reference numeral “2” located next to reference numeral “3a” has been amended to reference numeral --3--; and in which reference character “D” has been amended to --DP-- in Figures 1 and 2. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully submitted that the objections to the drawings has been overcome.

Title

The title has been objected to as not being descriptive. In response, a new title, which is more clearly indicative of the claimed invention, is presented herein for the Examiner's consideration and approval.

Abstract

The Abstract of the Disclosure is objected to because of the inclusion of legal phraseology. In response, a new Abstract has been provided for the Examiner's consideration and approval.

Specification

The specification is objected to because of minor informalities noted by the Examiner. The specification has been amended to attend to any informalities, including those kindly identified by the Examiner. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Claims Status

Claim 4, which has been rewritten as an independent claim, remains pending in the application. Claims 1 through 3 have been canceled. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

It is acknowledged with appreciation that Claim 4 is merely objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. In response, Claim 4 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claim 1 from which it directly depends. It is respectfully submitted that the objection has been overcome.

Rejection

Claims 1 through 3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,410,388 (Pacer, et al.) in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0147658 (Shin, et al.). The rationale underlying the rejection is succinctly set forth in the Official Action.

Response to Rejection

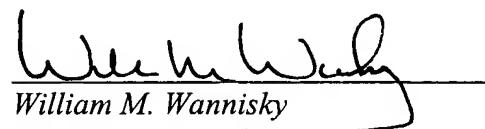
Without conceding the propriety of the rejection and solely to expedite prosecution, Claims 1 through 3 have been canceled. This rejection is now moot. Accordingly, further comment on the rejection is not necessary.

Closing Comments

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claim is allowable over the art of record and that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application are earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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